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1974-75 BIU VALUE

After consideration of the recommendations of the Committee on University Affairs, the value of the Basic Income Unit (BIU) for 1974-75 has been set at \$1,955. This represents an increase of 7.1% over last year's value of \$1,825 and is a substantial part of the growth in total provincial government support for post-secondary education next year. This increase plus the extra-formula grants being provided reflect an increase in total operating grants of 11.2% over 1973-74.

Recommendations affecting extra-formula grants have also been approved. Based on a CUA assessment considering mix, size, and location, supplementary grants totalling \$6,155,000 will be made available in 1974-75 to Brock, Carleton, Lakehead, Laurentian, Trent and York Universities, the University of Windsor and Algoma, Nipissing and Hearst Colleges. Approval has also been given to recommendations made in the CUA assessment of the individual needs of institutions offering bilingual programs. Bilingual grants totalling \$2,795,000 will be made in 1974-75 to Ottawa and Laurentian Universities and Hearst, Sudbury and Glendon Colleges.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER LEAVES

Alan P. Gordon, Assistant Deputy Minister for University Affairs joins the Ministry of Community and Social Services this month as Assistant Deputy Minister with responsibility for program development. Mr. Gordon has been with the Ministry of Colleges and Universities since 1967. Previously he was Assistant to the President at the University of Waterloo. No replacement has been named to fill the vacancy as yet.

NEW POLICY FOR CHURCH-RELATED COLLEGES

On December 19, 1973 the Honourable Jack McNie announced that provincially assisted universities with church-related affiliates would receive 100% support for students enrolled at the parent university, subject to meeting certain criteria. The new policy regarding these students will become effective in September 1974 and will mean that an additional \$3 million will be provided to Laurentian University and the Universities of Toronto, Waterloo, and Western Ontario.

Each of these institutions has recently been contacted to learn of the state of their negotiations with their church-related affiliates with regard to meeting the criteria outlined in the Minister's announcement. If these criteria are met, then in 1974-75 the universities will benefit from full operating grants for students in church-related colleges who were registered with the parent institution in 1973-74 (according to slip-year financing).

The only exception to this policy is for students enrolled in programs in theology. Since the criteria governing funding require college programs to be regulated by the parent university, the extension of these new arrangements would not permit the individual churches to retain control over the academic content of theology programs; therefore, they will continue to be funded at their current rate of support, 50%.

STUDY ON ADMISSION CRITERIA

A recent study completed by Trent University indicates that students admitted to first year university under an open admissions policy performed as well as students who were admitted using other selection criteria, including personal interviews, teacher recommendations, Grade 13 academic achievement and SACU test scores. In the study, financed by this Ministry, a comparison was made of performances of Grade 13 students admitted to Trent University for 1972-73. Students were selected on the basis of the five categories listed above, including open admissions, in addition to the normal procedures followed by the University. Characteristics of the six admissions groups were not significantly related to geographical or sex distribution, financial support,

or attitude and personality data. Other findings implied that the interview process was the most effective way of selecting students since those admitted via this process had a higher acceptance rate. In addition, female students in all groups obtained higher grade point averages than males and had lower withdrawal rates.

GRADUATE ENROLMENT

Full-time graduate enrolment is up 5.3% over last year for a total of 13,834 students. Master's and first stage doctoral levels have shown an increase of over 8.5%; second stage doctoral enrolment has barely held its own. New intake into graduate programs has risen 2.6% over last year with a growth of 4.8% at the master's and first stage doctoral level and a decline at the second stage level. Especially noteworthy is a rise of 30% in new entrants into the master's business administration programs.

Analysis to date indicates that humanities enrolment has not suffered in the past three years and that social sciences is up; however, enrolment at the doctoral level in mathematics, engineering, physical and biological sciences has declined markedly. Master's level enrolment in business administration has grown 19 percent over last year, accounting for almost one-third of the growth in master's enrolment. Information on trends in part-time graduate studies is not yet available; however, there has been a substantial increase in enrolment of 11.8% over last year, for a total of 2,846.8 FTE's.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

The acceptance of recommendations of the Committee on University Affairs, in the light of completed ACAP assessments, has resulted in the termination of embargoes on programs in Economics and Chemistry. Provisional embargoes have been lifted on the interdisciplinary M.A. program at York University and on new programs leading to a Master's degree in Journalism. M.A. programs in Landscape Architecture are no longer under embargo and Applied Geography at Ryerson has been approved for funding.

INSTRUCTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

To date the joint COU/CUA Sub-Committee on Instructional Development has awarded grants totalling \$125,930 for 1973-74. The total budget for this year, including administrative overhead, is \$200,000. Applications for 1974-75 grants are being reviewed in February. Details are available from Dr. Harold Good, Director of the Program for Instructional Development, Queen's University.

NEW MINISTER APPOINTED

As this newsletter goes to press, the Honourable William G. Davis has announced the appointment of the Honourable James A.C. Auld as Minister of Colleges and Universities. Mr. Auld has been Minister of the Environment since February, 1972. His previous portfolios include Public Works, Tourism and Information, and Transport.

The Honourable Jack McNie will continue in the Cabinet as Minister without Portfolio. In announcing the new appointments, Mr. Davis stated that Mr. McNie has established "a fine record in a very demanding Ministry" and for health reasons has requested a lessening of responsibilities.

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Following the lifting of the provisional embargo on M.A. programs in Journalism in December, 1973, the program at Carleton has been approved for funding.

The universities have been asked to submit to the Advisory Committee on Academic Planning and the Ministry their annual three year plans for graduate development by November 30th.

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The Ontario Graduate Scholarship program, designed to reward academic excellence and promise, was introduced last year to provide scholarships for the 1974-75 academic year. An independent Board of seven academics recommended winners for 850 scholarships in an open competition; it also approved students nominated by the universities for another 150 institutional scholarships and prepared a reversion list of 300 qualified applicants.

During the summer, despite the large reversion list, it became evident that a number of scholarships offered would not be taken up. The Minister accepted the recommendation of the Council of Ontario Universities to ask the Board to fill vacancies in their original quotas and to make additional nominations. In order to enable outstanding scholars to benefit who were unable to apply for the December 1, 1973 deadline, the original August 1st deadline for institutional nominations was extended to August 20, 1974.

It is hoped that the number of outstanding applicants will increase next year. The deadline for the 1975-76 competition is December 2, 1974. Details about the 1975-76 competition will be released soon.

INTEGRATION OF TEACHERS COLLEGES

On September 1, 1974 the Ottawa and Sudbury Teachers Colleges integrated with the universities of Ottawa and Laurentian respectively. This completed the scheduled integration of the former teachers colleges with the universities which began in 1969. The two remaining colleges at Hamilton and Toronto will combine to form the Ontario Teacher Education College, a degree granting institution operated by the Ministry of Education.

There are now programs in Education at Brock, Lakehead, Laurentian, Nipissing, Ottawa, Queens, Toronto, Western, Windsor and York.

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- Mary Butler Bush - graduate student in the Department of Family Studies, University of Guelph.
- John J. Deutsch - former Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Queen's University; professor of economics; former Chairman of the Economic Council of Canada.
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- Tamara Giesbrecht - Vice-President - Controller, Wilfrid Laurier University.
- Lin Good - Head of Bibliographic Operations, Queen's University; Chairman of the Principal's Committee on the Status of Women; former alderman, City of Kingston; member of the Ontario Council on the Status of Women.
- William A. Goyan - Undergraduate student in commerce at Lakehead University.
- Daniel G. Hill - Human rights consultant; former Director and Chairman of the Ontario Human Rights Commission.
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- Alexander L. McCallion - Machinist, Steel Co. of Canada; editor of "Steelshop".
- J. Fraser Mustard - Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, McMaster University; Chairman, Ontario Health Planning Task Force.
- Margaret F. Orange - former Dean of Women, University of Sudbury; member of the Status of Women's Committee of the International Federation of University Women.
- Peter R. Riggin - Vice-President (Corporate Relations), Noranda Mines Ltd.; Director, Canadian Foundation for Economic Education.
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The Ontario Graduate Scholarship program, designed to reward academic excellence and promise, was introduced last year to provide scholarships for the 1974-75 academic year. An independent Board of seven academics recommended winners for 850 scholarships in an open competition; it also approved students nominated by the universities for another 150 institutional scholarships and prepared a reversion list of 300 qualified applicants.

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- Alexander L. McCallion - Machinist, Steel Co. of Canada; editor of "Steelshop".
- J. Fraser Mustard - Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, McMaster University; Chairman, Ontario Health Planning Task Force.
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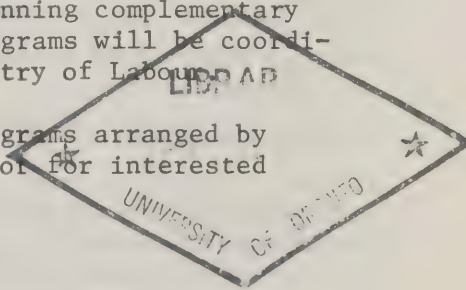
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The Minister stated in his letter to the Presidents that "under the capital moratorium our prime intention is to direct our limited resources towards updating and maintaining present facilities."

INCREASED STUDENT ASSISTANCE

The Minister has announced the details of the student assistance programs for the 1975-76 academic year. Provincial outlay on the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) will increase by approximately 16% to \$46.55 million.

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The following modifications have been made to OSAP:

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- the amount parents are expected to contribute to students' expenses will be based on their actual 1974 earnings rather than their estimated 1975 earnings;
- if it is to their advantage, students will have the option of applying for Canada Student Loan assistance only, rather than loan and grant;
- a portion of graduate teaching assistantships is to be considered as earnings from part-time employment.

Two new student assistance programs have been added. The Ontario Student Loans Plan will benefit part-time students, students taking certain upgrading programs and students who are ineligible for the Canada Student Loans Plan because the length or entry requirements of their program of study do not meet federal regulations. This plan will provide loans of up to \$1,400 over a normal academic year, to a maximum of \$4,000. The terms and conditions of the loans are expected to be similar to those of the Canada Student Loans Plan.

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Details of student assistance programs can be obtained from student awards officers of universities and colleges of applied arts and technology or from the Student Awards Branch, Ministry of Colleges and Universities, 8th Floor, Mowat Block, Queen's Park, Toronto, M7A 1C6.

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rights, social attitudes, confidence and self-esteem, and career development.

- Ryerson Polytechnical Institute is hosting a conference for IWY on May 28, 1975, at the St. Lawrence Centre in Toronto. The theme will be "Women and the Novel."
- The University of Western Ontario's "Presidential Advisory Committee" on IWY is composed of three men and nine women whose plans now include a career brochure featuring women who have chosen non-traditional work fields. A conference entitled "Women and the Law" is to be held in the fall of 1975.

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The Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Colleges and Universities are jointly conducting a long-range study on the preparation of students for post-secondary education. This study will also examine the regulations under which students are deemed eligible for support under the operating grants formula. The university operating grants formula does not currently permit first year students in degree programs to be claimed unless they have completed the requirements for the Ontario Secondary School Honour Graduation Diploma or its equivalent. As an essential part of this study, the OCUA will be asked to review the admission requirements of the universities and to prepare a report and recommendations on the matters under study, including:

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- current university admission policies and practices in the light of present arrangements for preparing students for university studies.

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ONTARIO GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Minister has announced the offering of Ontario Graduate Scholarships to 1,000 university students. These scholarships, worth \$800 per term plus tuition fees, for a maximum of three consecutive terms, are intended to reward academic excellence. Of the scholarships offered, 32.3% are in humanities, 35% are in social sciences, 6.2% are in applied sciences, 13.3% are in biological sciences and 13.2% in physical sciences.

The purpose of the OGS awards is to encourage academic excellence. Provincial formula grants generated by graduate students increased from \$85.7 million in 1970-71 to \$95.4 million in 1973-74. They reached \$106.1 million in 1974-75 and are expected to rise to over \$118 million in 1975-76. This increase has taken place despite a relatively steady graduate enrolment over the past few years. The high weight associated with the BIU attached to graduate students reflects the importance attached by the government to graduate studies, scholarship and research.

Also to be observed is the growth in funds available for sponsored research at Ontario universities. Financial reports show a steady increase in this outlay, rising from \$57.3 million in 1970-71 to \$70.1 million in 1973-74.

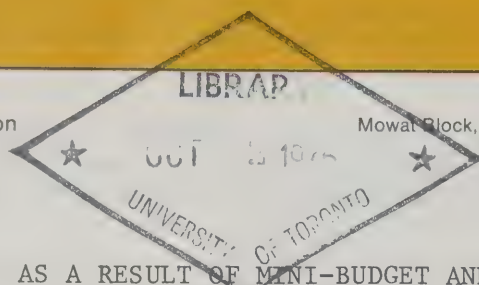
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EXPENDITURE CONSTRAINTS AS A RESULT OF MINI-BUDGET ANNOUNCEMENT

The "Supplementary Actions to the 1975 Ontario Budget" announced by the Provincial Treasurer, the Honourable W. Darcy McKeough, on July 7, 1975, contains a two-part plan to achieve savings totalling \$178 million through expenditure cuts and internal efficiency improvements.

In the area of program cuts and postponements, capital projects under the Health Resources Development Fund will be stretched out to effect a saving of \$12 million this year. Although operating grants to universities will not be reduced, additional savings totalling \$84 million will be made in the areas of land purchases, regional priorities, Provincial loans, industrial parks and estimates of the Ministries.

A \$82 million internal government cost-cutting program is now being implemented through the following measures:

1. Immediate freeze on replacement staffing for all internal administrative functions such as information services, systems, planning, records, personnel, accounts and finance. With normal attrition, this should result in 1,500 fewer personnel in these areas by the end of the fiscal year.
2. Immediate moratorium on new or renewed contracts for management consulting and organizational planning.
3. A 10 per cent reduction in data processing budgets.
4. A 10 per cent reduction in direct operating expenditures (other than salaries and benefits but excluding institutions). This will reduce spending on travel, communications, supplies, services, furniture and equipment.
5. Reduction in internal planning and design operations which support programs whose real growth has levelled off or declined.
6. Reduction in inventories of supplies and equipment and improved inventory management.
7. Consolidation and rationalization of regional offices.
8. Review of research, statistical, planning, internal services and administrative units with the objective of reducing the number and size of such units, while improving effectiveness.

The Treasurer further stated "....unequivocally....that Ontario expects parallel economy actions on the part of all Provincial boards, agencies and commissions as well as local governments and their agencies, that spend public money."

MCU is now realigning its internal priorities to achieve the overall target. The University Affairs Division complement of 20 has already been compressed by one. Expenditures in other areas within this Division have also been reduced.

CHANGES IN ENROLMENT REPORTING

A change to term-by-term counting of all undergraduate enrolment will be implemented beginning with the spring term, 1976. As part of this change, all arts and science undergraduates (and later, undergraduates in other program areas) will be subject to fractional unit counting under which reported enrolment will not distinguish between full and part-time course registration. Full-time equivalency will be reported by totalling credit-course registrations and dividing by the number of courses generally considered to constitute a full load.

The fall and winter term count dates are to be moved to November 1 and February 1, respectively, to allow universities additional time to prepare final enrolment reports for the semesters.

MCU has requested Statistics Canada to consider adopting the proposed fall term count date, so that enrolment data will be on a consistent basis. MCU would then be able to use the University Student Information system for the September-to-December term.

INCREASED SUPPORT FOR THEOLOGY PROGRAM

MCU Minister, the Honourable James A.C. Auld, recently announced changes in the level of operating grants for theology programs of church-related colleges associated with Ontario universities. Starting in the 1976-77 academic year the \$1.1 million in grants now allocated for the instruction of some 1,300 theology students may be doubled. This increased support will apply to theological colleges, provided that theology students are registered at the parent university. Admission standards, curriculum and graduation must be regulated by the parent university, which will allocate the extra funds.

Unaffiliated theological colleges will become eligible for the increased grants upon affiliation with one of the 15 provincially assisted universities.

ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR REPAIR & MAINTENANCE OF COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS

Although expected constraints in government expenditure was the main emphasis of his speech on July 7, 1975, Ontario Treasurer W. Darcy McKeough stressed the government's sensitivity to the current state of unemployment. Consistent with this, MCU Minister James A.C. Auld has announced that \$5 million will be made available for the repair and maintenance of college and university buildings in areas of high unemployment. A total of \$2.5 million is to be allocated to the university sector based on construction plans supplied by the universities earlier this year, with priority being given to projects with a high labour content.

he monies provided will be in the form of grants from MCU rather than as
eventure funding through the Ontario Universities Capital Aid Corporation.

TAFF CHANGES AT MCU

William Clarkson has been appointed Director of the Student Awards Branch within
MCU. This Branch administers the various student assistance programs available
to students in post-secondary institutions in Ontario. Mr. Clarkson, who holds
a B.S.A. from Guelph University and a Master's degree in Public Administration
from York University, transferred from the Ministry of Agriculture and Food,
where he was Director of the Agricultural Manpower Services Branch.

The former Director of the Student Awards Branch, Donald Bethune, has been
appointed MCU's Cultural Affairs Coordinator.

Carolyn Barrett has been appointed a University Affairs Officer. Her principal
responsibilities will be in the area of information coordination, status of
women and native peoples affairs. Ms. Barrett will also be assisting in all
areas of student affairs. Before her transfer she was with the MCU Student Awards
Branch.

Dr. Peter Glynn, previously Health Sciences Education Coordinator has left the
Ministry to take a position with the Government of Saskatchewan. He has been
succeeded by Clarke Mecredy, who transferred from the Ministry of Culture and
Recreation. Prior to joining the Ontario public service, Mr. Mecredy held
administrative positions at the University of Waterloo and Waterloo Lutheran
University. Preceding these positions he spent several years in personnel and
management and command appointments in the Royal Canadian Navy.

David Ferguson, Director of MCU's Policy and Planning Coordination Office is
spending a year with the Quebec Department of Education on an exchange program.
Communications coordinator John Watkinson has become Acting Director of Policy
and Planning Coordination Office for the year and Anthony Bain of MCU's
Information Services Branch is now Acting Communications Coordinator.

ONTARIO COMMITTEE TO TAKE A FRESH LOOK AT STUDENT AID

As reported in earlier issues of the "University Report," an Interim Committee
on Financial Assistance for Students was appointed early in 1975. It has
requested briefs from student groups, labour organizations, chambers of commerce,
educational and social service associations, and a variety of other community
groups, to be submitted on any or all aspects of financial assistance for
students. The Committee will divide into two segments and hold public hearings
in Thunder Bay and Sudbury on November 26, 1975, and in London and Ottawa on
December 5, 1975. Other hearings will be held in the Toronto area on January
20 and 21, 1976.

Further information can be obtained by contacting John Bonner or Tessa Donald
of MCU at (416) 965-3871.

STUDENT AWARD APPLICATIONS

The Ministry has received more than 68,000 applications, as of August 31, 1975, requesting assistance under the OSAP program. This reflects a 12 per cent increase in the number of applications received during the same period last year. Despite the increased complexity of the program, including the CSL option, some 49,000 of the applications received have already been assessed and returned to the institutions. This also represents a significant improvement over last year.

ONTARIO COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

During April, May and June, 1975, OCUA held its second series of meetings with the 15 provincially-assisted universities, Ryerson, OISE and representatives of students, staff and faculty. In all, the Council visited 12 campuses during the spring, thereby fulfilling its intention to have been "on site" at each university by the end of its first year.

Individual university responses to a wide range of questions posed by OCUA were similar in most respects. Of overriding concern to all was the need to maintain the quality of post-secondary education in Ontario and for adequate funding to meet this objective. Interesting and valuable suggestions were made concerning the revision of mechanisms for distributing operating grants, setting tuition fee levels and providing student assistance. As well, the Council was brought up-to-date on a variety of system-wide coordination efforts in such areas as student applications, libraries and computing. The status of women at Ontario universities was described as a matter which will continue to receive careful attention.

The Council has published its first annual report, copies of which may be obtained from the MCU Information Branch.

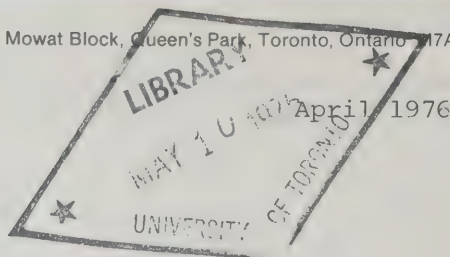
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MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS SINCE LAST ISSUE

Since the publication of the last issue of "University Report", the Minister of Colleges and Universities, Dr. Harry Parrott, announced the amount of Provincial support to be made available in 1976-77, for the following items:

1. \$61 million to be provided in grants under the Ontario Student Assistance Program, an increase of \$11.45 million over the 1975-76 amount.
2. The distribution of \$637.5 million in operating grants to Ontario universities and related colleges, Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Ontario College of Art and the Bar Admission course, representing an increase of about 15% over the 1975-76 amount. The distribution is based on recommendations made by the Ontario Council on University Affairs.

Some changes in OSAP

Substantial improvements in allowances have been made in the program to realign financial assistance with the increased costs faced by students. Because of these changes together with the growth in demand for student assistance, the loan ceiling (the amount students must borrow before they can receive a provincial grant) will be increased to \$1,000.

Details of the program are provided in a descriptive booklet, Ontario Student Assistance Program, 1976-77, which has been distributed to high schools and post-secondary educational institutions throughout the province.

A report by the Interim Committee on Financial Assistance for Students is expected in July, 1976.

Some changes in operating grant funding

In 1976-77, formula grants for undergraduate studies will be based on an averaging of one-third of the 1974-75 and two-thirds of the 1975-76 eligible basic income units. The B.I.U. value will be \$2,312.

For graduate programs grant-calculating units are to be known as "Graduate Funding Units" and the support for 1976-77 and 1977-78 is to be based on the 1975-76 graduate B.I.U.'s. The G.F.U. value will be \$2,255 in 1976-77.

Extra formula "Supplementary", "Northern Ontario" and "Bilingual" grants will be provided to certain universities and colleges.

An amount of \$13.5 million, a reduction of about 18% over 1975-76, will be distributed through MCU budget review process.

HEALTH SCIENCES

On a request from the Ministry of Health, MCU has asked all diploma schools of nursing to reduce their 1st year enrolment intake for September, 1976 by an average of 15%. Higher retention rates in the work force, constraints on health care services and the decline in employment opportunities have created an oversupply of trained diploma nurses. These changes in the delivery of health care have also necessitated a freeze on undergraduate and postgraduate Medicine.

The limited employment opportunities in all health science professions and paraprofessions will be affecting graduates of college and university health science programs. Although there is not sufficient information to recommend reductions in other health science programs, the Ministries see no reason to encourage enrolment increases.

ONTARIO GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO 1,000 OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

MCU Minister, Dr. Harry Parrott, announced recently that Ontario Graduate Scholarships have been offered to 1,000 outstanding students who will be pursuing full-time graduate studies at Ontario universities in 1976-77. Scholarship winners were selected on the basis of academic merit, regardless of discipline.

The scholarships reward academic excellence and are worth \$1,250 per term for a maximum of \$3,750 over three consecutive terms. This year's Ontario Graduate Scholarships have increased in dollar value by more than 10 percent over last year's maximum value of \$800 plus tuition fees.

More than 4,000 students applied for Ontario Graduate Scholarships for the 1976-77 academic year.

"INTERFACE" STUDY OF STUDENT MOVEMENT

Together with the Ministry of Education, MCU is sponsoring three studies relating to the movement of both English and French speaking students from Ontario secondary schools to Ontario universities and CAATs. Final reports are expected by November, 1976.

One of the studies, conducted by a team from Queen's University, will analyse courses in the senior high school years and the early years of universities and colleges. Researchers will look at matters such as course objectives and content, the skills and knowledge needed for attaining these objectives, and the evaluation of students' work.

Another research team, from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, will examine characteristics of students who are now completing high school and are planning to enter college or university. The team will investigate students' current achievement levels as measured by standardized tests in English, Mathematics, French and Physics, along with other background characteristics.

The third study, to be conducted by Stevenson and Kellogg Limited and its subsidiary, Canadian Facts, will gather and analyse public and professional opinions on the roles and responsibilities of high schools, colleges and universities, as they are viewed by students, teachers and the public.

SURVEY OF 1972 GRADUATES

A research study has recently been completed on 1972 B.A. and B.Sc. graduates from Ontario universities. The study examined the experience of these individuals in entering the labour force. Approximately 2,000 graduates were interviewed.

The study confirms that university graduates in the early 1970's encountered a less favourable labour market and had more difficulty obtaining desirable jobs than graduates of previous years. Also, the 1972 graduates found greater difficulty in entering high prestige occupations and were less satisfied with their work than graduates of earlier years. A large number reported that they had held a series of short-term, unrelated jobs while searching for a suitable career. The findings revealed a widespread under-employment of university graduates.

Another result of the inability to acquire satisfying employment was the decision of individuals to proceed with post-graduate education. The higher percentage of students who acquired honours, rather than general degrees, may be related to the general educational upgrading of the labour force.

Jobs for 1972 graduates appear to have been more readily available in the service sector than in other sectors of the labour market. Female graduates tended to be more vocationally oriented than those of previous years, although the jobs acquired had lower prestige and salary rankings than those obtained by male graduates.

Major findings discussed in the report deal with the tightening labour market and the declining value of an undergraduate education in the early 1970's. Changing attitudes regarding education and employment, and changing preferences regarding undergraduate degrees and fields of study, were other findings.

STATUS OF WOMEN

An independent consultant, Gail McIntyre, has completed a report to the Ministry entitled Women and Ontario Universities. The report analyses the status of women faculty, students, and support staff, and makes 12 recommendations for improving the role of women in Ontario's provincially assisted universities. Research leading to the report included detailed analysis of student enrolment patterns, comparison of the ranks and salaries of male and female faculty, and a series of interviews with university staff and students.

Ms. McIntyre suggests that provincially assisted universities follow guidelines similar to those that the government of Ontario has adopted on "affirmative action" for women in its ministries and crown agencies.

Copies of the report are available from the Ontario Government Bookstore, 880 Bay Street, Toronto, Cost: \$2.50.

ONTARIO COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

OCUA will launch its annual spring round of hearings by holding open meetings with the Council of Ontario Universities and university staff and student associations.

Hearings with the institutions will follow a new topic-oriented format. Delegations from all institutions will be invited to join OCUA for discussion on specific issues including long-range planning and capital assistance policy, graduate program planning and research, and operating finances and tuition fees.

Professors Norma V. Bowen and Alan K. McDougall from the Universities of Guelph and Western Ontario respectively, have been appointed members of OCUA. Six other members, including the Right Reverend Walter E. Bagnall, Ms. Mary Butler Bush, Dr. Reva Gerstein, Dr. Daniel G. Hill, Mr. Ronald S. Ritchie and Mr. H. Harold Walker have been reappointed for an additional three years.

ONTARIO ARRANGES VENTURE CAPITAL FOR STUDENTS' SUMMER ENTERPRISES

Dr. Harry Parrott, MCU Minister, recently announced "Venture Capital", an Ontario Government "Experience '76" program. This program is intended to help provide summer employment for students and tap a stream of business acumen and ingenuity that could be of great value to the Province.

The project, supervised by MCU, will furnish interest-free loans of up to \$1,000 to qualified students who wish to run their own summer businesses. Now entering its third summer, "Venture Capital" operates on a budget of \$100,000, most of which is to be repaid as the students remit the principal portion of their loans.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT FOR NATIVE STUDENTS

In order to help meet the educational needs of Native People, the Ministry is sponsoring a special "Experience '76" project of summer employment for native students. Jobs will be provided for native students on university and college campuses in selected centres. The purpose of the program is to expose these students to the environment of a post-secondary institution.

GRANT TO PROGRAM FOR INSTRUCTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Minister has accepted an OCUA recommendation which suggested that the Committee on Teaching and Learning of COU (formerly the Interim Committee on Instructional Development) be provided with \$500,000 in 1976-77. It is expected that teaching and learning activities will be fully integrated into internal university budgets by 1979-80. In his acceptance, the Minister emphasized the importance the government places on enhancing the quality of teaching and learning.

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